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- 25X1 SUBJECT 1. Chinese Communist Shipping between Foochow  
and Shanghai  
2. Chinese Communist Rice Transactions with  
Kwangtung Farmers

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- 25X1 1. On 24 May two [REDACTED] ships of approximately 500 and 1,000 tons  
left P'ishan (121-30, 28-06) for Wenling (121-21, 28-23) via Huangtaao  
25X1 (121-06, 27-57). Another [REDACTED] ship of about 1,000 tons left  
Wenchou (120-38, 28-01) for Shanghai with a cargo of rice and salt.
2. At the end of May there were ten Chinese Communist armed motor junks and  
ten cargo junks in the Haimen (121-25, 28-43) area. All the cargo junks  
were being loaded with rice for transportation northward. One of them,  
the HSIN T'AI HSI (新台松), had a load capacity of about 400 tons.
3. All rice shops in Wenchou have been ordered by the Wenchou authorities  
not to sell rice to civilians but only to government agencies. According  
to Wenchou government officials, all rice in Wenchou is being sent by the  
Chinese Communist authorities to other areas and the price of rice in  
Wenchou is steadily rising.

25X1 On 2 June, eleven 600-ton steamships [REDACTED] arrived in  
Wenchou from Foochow, each with a cargo of rice and aluminum. On 4 June  
all these ships were still in the Wenchou harbor. 25X1

25X1 On 2 June six [REDACTED] steamships left Wenchou for Foochow via the  
mouth of the Feiyun (120—, 27—) River. Two of these ships returned to  
the vicinity of the mouth of the Ou (120—, 27—) River. 25X1

Farmers in the West River area of Kwangtung are being permitted to  
"borrow" rice from local Chinese Communist authorities. Repayment will  
not be made in kind, but in Jen Min Piao at the price prevailing when the  
rice was borrowed. 25X1X

Comment. Rice is usually scarce with high prices before the  
harvest period and plentiful with low prices afterward, when the  
farmers will attempt to repay the loan. Therefore the Chinese Communists  
will make large profits from these transactions.

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